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2           MR. HARNEY:   Good evening, ladies and gentlemen.  
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4     My name Corbin Harney. I'm a Shoshone Indian from this part of  
5     the world, I would say.

6                   I'm going to talk about the facts. Too much of  
7     this has been going on for so long from the land that we all  
8     know.

9                   Our land today is dying. We begin to see the  
10    water that you drink is contaminated with radiation, all the  
11    chemicals and everything else, and when we as a people going to 1  
12    wake up to the problem that the DOE has been telling us a lie  
13    for many, many years?

14                   I know since '53, I've been involved in this. I  
15    said my prayers, I say my words to the DOE telling them how  
16    dangerous this is what they're doing.

17                   We the people, the native people in this part  
18    understands how the nature works, what it does and so forth.

19                   Look at Yucca Mountain today. The DOE is telling 1 continued  
20    us a lie saying it's a safe place to put this. We the people  
21    have been saying this is -- that mountain -- they say it's a  
22    mountain, but it's a rolling hill is what it is. It's got a  
23    movement to it.

24                   Each year it moves. The DOE challenges this is  
25    not telling us the truth because they get so much money paid by  
26    the DOE people.

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1                    Their tongue is tied, their voice is shut. Those  
2 are the reason why we today here -- I hope this is a beginning  
3 of us getting together and uniting ourself together as one  
4 people and say what we know, what we see and so forth.

4     5                    We all know in this valley here the water moves.  
6 It's not like what the DOE geologists are telling us, it only  
7 moves an inch a year.

8                    If it moves more than that. When this earth of  
9 ours rotates, what does it do to that water inside of it just  
10 like in the jug -- in the jug? That's what it does. It  
11 keeps on moving and on moving.

12                   It's got so much radiation in our water  
13 throughout the world today, there's no safe water anymore left,  
14 but we have to start talking about this.

15                   I would like to see us get together and have a  
16 meeting every now and then, maybe once a month, all of us,  
17 start putting our lives together what the DOE is doing to us  
18 because I see -- I talk about this at Yucca Mountain, I talk  
19 about it at the Test Site.

2     20                   Remember those trucks that delivers those nuclear  
21 waste from throughout the world and they go over there to that  
22 Nevada Test Site.

23                   When they dump their load, they come on down here  
24 to California and go pick up your food. How much radiation is  
25 on that truck?

1           The DOE never told us nothing about it. Nobody  
2 has. Our government is not saying.

3           So I'm going to tell you this: Our government  
4 today -- I'm 79 years old today. I know my people been told a  
5 lie for 500 years.

6           They say we made a treaty with you people. This  
7 is the law of the land, supposed to been, but it's not so.

3... 8           This is the reason why today we the people  
9 already know -- we are an example for one as guinea pigs as the  
10 native people. They told us a lie. They say, "We're going to  
11 make a treaty with you. We're going to take care of you," all  
12 this BS that they have said.

5 13           What are they doing to my people that's very  
14 sickly and dying? Everyday there's somebody dying from cancer.  
15 There's thousands and thousands of them right here in the State  
16 of Nevada.

17           So we have to think about it, what about our  
18 young childrens, our grandchildrens and so forth. We have to  
19 be concerned about them. They have to have a future.

20           Right today we don't have a future for them  
21 because we today can buy water from Safeway. Where do they get  
22 their water?

23           Sooner or later this is going to run out. Sooner  
24 or later they're going to start telling us a lie, which already  
25 has. That's why your water is all different prices throughout

1 the country.

2 This is the reason why we the people today asking  
3 you people that we should unite together and put a stop to this  
4 nonsense of madness of our nuclear energy department. Instead  
5 of telling us a lie, they should tell us the truth.

6 They haven't told the truth yet, but they will  
7 have to if we start asking the truth. They should be telling  
8 us the truth. Still making that sweet talk.

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9 The reason why I'm up standing here because I'm  
10 concerned about this land that we're on. This is an Indian  
11 land, Shoshone land.

12 Under that treaty, what the government have said,  
13 "We make treaty with you, Shoshone people." They signed their  
14 documents.

15 Today I'm asking the DOE -- I have before -- show  
16 me the document where you bought this land from us or if you  
17 take it away from us or what are you?

18 They haven't told me yet that they own the land,  
19 but they continuously misuse by telling you folks totally a lie  
20 saying to you people "we did take care of the Indian people. "  
21 It's not so.

22 So we're all in that same boat this morning and  
23 tomorrow morning and so forth. We're either going to make it  
24 float or we can sink it together.

25 Throughout the country, we already begin to see

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1 our water is already contaminated so bad. The milk that the  
2 cow produces has got contamination in it, radiation in it.  
3 Those people that selling milk some day won't be able to sell  
4 it.

5 What it means to them, that's their livelihood.

6 MR. BROWN: Five minute warning.

7 MR. HARNEY: Cattle owners the same way. Some  
8 day they're not going to be able to sell their beef. We're  
9 already coming to that, but the DOE knows about it.

10 Our government knows those things are happening,  
11 but they're not telling us the truth.

12 So I wish you people -- I'm going to ask you  
13 again. I hope that we do get together and start having our  
14 meetings together and present this what they're doing wrong to  
15 us from the beginning, and I've seen so many of you people in  
16 here that I've been working with for a long time and I wish  
17 that we can start our movement.

1 continued

18 The only way we are going to put a stop to this  
19 nonsense is us people uniting ourselves together. If we don't  
20 do this, they are going to continue to tell us the lies. They  
21 are going to continue to develop something that's more  
22 dangerous than what they have done.

23 They're already beginning to, so remember, folks,  
24 what I said to you. Let's help each other. Let's have a voice  
25 heard from all of us, again, what our DOE is doing to us.

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1                   So we're the one that's going to have to be  
2 suffering and think about our young childrens. They're the one  
3 that's going to suffer out of this deal if we don't do  
4 something about it today. Tomorrow they might not have any  
5 water.

6                   Thank you.

7                   MS. DIXON: Thank you.

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